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Senate Resolution 1010

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

## ADOPTED SENATE

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the President and Congress of the United States to call for a peaceful resolution to the
- 2 current electoral crisis in Kenya and urging support of House Congressional Resolution 283;
- 3 and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, there is currently an electoral crisis in Kenya; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the United States can assist with bringing about an end to this crisis through
- 6 President George W. Bush considering sanctions and supporting diplomatic efforts; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Kenya's leading presidential candidates can help by respecting the will of the
- 8 people; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Kenya security forces can assist by refraining from excessive use of force; and
- 10 WHEREAS, threats to civil society leaders should be condemned, and media restrictions
- imposed on Kenya should be lifted; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Kenyan people are to be commended for their commitment to democracy.
- 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body does hereby
- 14 urge the President and Congress of the United States to support House Congressional
- 15 Resolution 283 which strongly condemns the violence and calls for an end to human rights
- 16 abuses; for Kenya to rebuild strong democratic institutions, processes and practices; for
- 17 Kenya to professionalize and modernize its judicial system and promote the rule of law; for
- 18 Kenya to strengthen its ties to the United States and forge an effective anti-terrorism
- 19 partnership in Africa; and for Kenyan political leaders on opposite ends to allow mediation
- 20 to help solve the current political conflict or face potential travel bans and other measures.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed

- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Honorable George W. Bush,
- 3 President of the United States and each member of the Georgia congressional delegation.